

REMARKS

Claims 33, 43, and 44 are present in this application. Claim 33 is an independent claim. Claims 1-32, and 34-42 have been canceled.

Claim Rejections based on Prior Art

The outstanding Office Action objected to claim 34 as being dependent upon a rejected base claim, and had indicated that claim 34 contained allowable subject matter.

Applicants have amended independent claim 33 to incorporate the subject matter of claim 34 in order to place claim 33 in condition for allowance.

Claims 43 and 44 depend from claim 33. The features recited in claims 43 and 44 apply to embodiments covered by claim 33 as amended, as well. Applicants submit that no new matter has been added.

Accordingly, since all other claims have been canceled, and the only remaining claims had been considered allowable, Applicants submit that no issues remain.

CONCLUSION

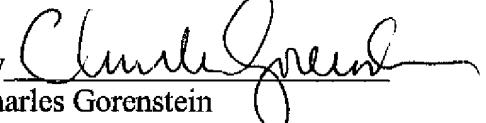
In view of the above amendment, applicant believes the pending application is in condition for allowance.

Should there be any outstanding matters that need to be resolved in the present application, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact Robert Downs Reg. No. 48,222 at the telephone number of the undersigned below, to conduct an interview in an effort to expedite prosecution in connection with the present application.

If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-2448 for any additional fees required under 37.C.F.R. §§1.16 or 1.14; particularly, extension of time fees.

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